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Group Art Unit: 2823

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For: METHOD FOR DEPOSITING TUNGSTEN SILICIDE FILM AND METHOD FOR
PREPARING GATE ELECTRODE/WIRING

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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A response to the Office Action mailed May 14, 2002 is being timely filed by the
August 14, 2002 due date. Applicants request amendment of the application as follows.

AMENDMENT OF THE CLAIMS

Please add new claims 16-21 as shown by the attached clean version of the new
claims. Applicants have enclosed the requisite fees for the additional claims.

REMARKS

Upon entry of the amendments, claims 1-21 will be pending in the application.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 1-7 are allowable because the prior art of
record fails to disclose a method of depositing a tungsten silicide layer using a
phosphorous containing gas as claimed by the instant application.

The Examiner has also indicated that claims 9-11, 13, and 14 would be allowable
if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of their base claim and any
intervening claim.